

## MARICOPA CITY COUNCIL APPLICATION FORM

Thank you for your interest in being an applicant for the City of Maricopa's open City Council position. Please fill out the following form and return it to the City Clerk by one of the following means:

<p><b><u>Email - Fax - Questions</u></b></p> <p>Email: <a href="mailto:vanessa.bucras@maricopa-az.gov">vanessa.bucras@maricopa-az.gov</a>          Fax: 520-568-9120          Questions?: 520-316-6971</p>	<p><b><u>By Mail</u></b></p> <p>City Clerk          City of Maricopa          P.O. Box 610          Maricopa, AZ 85139</p>	<p><b><u>In Person</u></b></p> <p>City Clerk          City of Maricopa          45145 W. Madison Ave          Maricopa, AZ 85139</p>
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Contact Information					
Name:	Joan Garrett				
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City, State, Zip:	Maricopa, AZ 85139				
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Home Phone:	520-568-4859	Work Phone:		Cell Phone:	734-634-9559
General Information					
Are you a full time Maricopa Resident?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Have you lived within the City's incorporated limits for a minimum of one year?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Are You A Registered Voter?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Have you graduated from the City's or any City's Leadership Academy? City:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
What's the highest level of education you have attained?	<input type="checkbox"/> High School Diploma <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Masters Degree <input type="checkbox"/> Associates Degree <input type="checkbox"/> Doctoral or Equivalent <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor's Degree <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please explain: _____				
Have you ever served on any Boards, Committees, Commissions, Task Forces, etc. (City of Maricopa or otherwise) in the past?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, please list: MHA - President, Friends of the Maricopa Public Library - chairman Please see listing on my resume				

<p>Have you ever been involved in helping develop public policy at <u>any</u> governmental level? (This might include such activities as writing issue papers, conducting public policy research, advising policymakers, advocating for a particular change, or performing other public policy development work)</p>	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>If yes, please list a short description:</p>	
	<p>I served as a lobbyist for the Michigan Association of Healthcare Advocates. I was in Washington D.C. twice to meet with Michigan Senators and Representatives</p>		
<p>Please list any leadership roles you have had at your place of employment, through volunteer work, business or professional organizations, civic, church or other activities. List only the roles and affiliations most important to you in the PAST FIVE YEARS.</p>	<p>Please see resume</p>		
<p>Have you ever run for office before?</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>If selected for this position, do you plan to run as an official candidate in 2014?</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Are you able to <u>fully commit</u> to the time requirement (1st &amp; 3rd Tues eve. of each month City Council meetings, extensive pre and postreading/meeting preparation time, Strategic and Budgetary retreats, specially called meetings, numerous committee assignments, public speaking requirements, social &amp; constituent requests for meetings, correspondence, public appearances, etc.) to be a city council member?</p>	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>		
<p>Can and <u>will you</u> work well with others, even if they do not agree with you?</p>	<p>Absolutely!</p>		

*Joan Barrett*  
Signature of Applicant:

*October 29, 2012*  
Date:



1. In 300 words or less, please tell us why you are the BEST candidate to fill the vacancy on the Maricopa City Council.
2. In 300 words or less, please tell us what attributes, qualities, special skills, talents, awards, knowledge, you would offer to further enhance and diversify this city council.
3. In 300 words or less, please discuss the 3 most important issues you see facing the City of Maricopa today.
4. In 300 words or less, please discuss what it means to you to be good policy maker and serve for the common good.

1. Current Resume
2. 2 Letters of Recommendation or Endorsement
  - Letters of Recommendation or Endorsement should include:
    - How long the endorsers has known the applicant
    - Why the applicant meets the ideal candidate profile
    - Any other pertinent information the Council might need to consider the applicant

1. I love Maricopa. I was born in Ohio and lived for many of years in Michigan before I moved to Maricopa in October 2009. The people that I've met and worked with are from all parts of our country and many from Canada. They come from all walks of life and bring their experiences to Maricopa expecting the City to benefit from their life experiences. We need to continue to meet their expectations. I am the best candidate because I have had a lot of experience with leadership in many fields. I am a listener and can objectively decide what course would be the best for our community. I have lived in Maricopa for three years and have become involved with the community by being the chairman of the Friends of the Maricopa Library, treasurer of Copa Seniors and a member of the Maricopa Historical Society. I don't believe that many people have had the variety of experiences that I have had in leadership positions before coming to Arizona and now extending to my life here in Maricopa.
2. I have been president of the Michigan Association of Healthcare Advocates, an organization of the hospital volunteers in Michigan including approximately 25,000-30,000 volunteers. This position allowed me to travel our country attending various state conferences and being a workshop presenter at several of the conferences. It also allowed me to attend the American Hospital Association's Conference in Washington, D.C. for several years and lobby for community healthcare with several Representatives and the two Senators from Michigan. I think that this experience of working with people from various states along with the lobbying experience would make me a better candidate for this City Council position. Along with this experience, I bring many years of teaching. I have been an elementary classroom teacher, a Reading Specialist and Learning Specialist. After working in public schools, I then became a University Professor and enjoyed working with the Education Department Staff at Madonna University in Livonia, Michigan. This gave me more experience working with people on a different level. I taught in the classroom and also supervised student teachers and worked with them and their cooperating teachers. In total, my experiences have been varied and enlightening. I have been able to be a leader, a listener and an activist in many different arenas.
3. The City of Maricopa has jumped from a town of 1,040 to a city of over 44,000. Just like a child who has had a huge growth spurt has many problems to face, some physical and some emotional, the City has the same problems. We need to make Maricopa a destination and in order to do that we have to become more than a bedroom community. First, we need to continue to work toward having a city where businesses are not only encouraged to come and provide job opportunities for our citizens but they are they are made to feel as if we are the only place they would want to have their businesses. Secondly, we need to ensure that our children are schooled here not in other cities and that after college they return to our city to become active, educated citizens of Maricopa. Thirdly, we need to be sure that all ages are involved in our city and its progress from a small town to a very exciting and progressive city.
4. I have been involved in policy making and I've seen the effects these policies have had on the people they governed. The most important facet to me is getting the people involved and listening to all sides of the question. Whenever I have worked on developing a policy that would affect people I have had to put aside my own opinions and listen to the facts and make my decisions based on the facts. As a president or chairman of a committee or an organization, I've had to present the facts of a situation to the boards, keeping my opinion to myself. It is very difficult to do; however, it is the only way to develop policies that truly represent the best outcome for the people you are working for. I think you always have to keep the entire population of Maricopa in your mind and ensure that everyone is considered whenever a decision is made. Again, I emphasize the importance of being a good listener and the willingness to put your own opinions aside and listen to the facts. I am that type of person.

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## JOAN GARRETT

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### EDUCATION

1950-1954 Bowling Green University B.S. 1954  
1969-1971 Eastern Michigan University M.A. 1971

### Summary of Qualifications

1954-1956 Maumee Public Schools, Maumee, Ohio  
Elementary Teacher

1961-1992 Livonia Public Schools, Livonia, Michigan  
Elementary Teacher  
Special Reading Teacher  
Learning Specialist  
Title I Coordinator

1992-2009 Madonna University, Livonia, Michigan  
Professor

### Volunteer experiences

- Providence Hospital  
Our Lady of Providence League  
1996-1997 President Elect  
1997-1999 President  
1999-2005 Administrative Liaison
- Southeast District of MAHA  
1999-2000 1<sup>ST</sup> Vice President  
2000-2001 President Elect  
2001-2002 President
- Michigan Association of Healthcare  
Advocates  
2000-2001 Secretary  
2002-2003 Vice President Education  
2003-2004 President Elect  
2004-2005 President  
2005-2006 Counselor

I have over 25,000 volunteer hours to  
Providence Hospital in 23 years of  
service.

### Experiences in Maricopa

- Maricopa Historical Society  
2010-2011 First Ladies Tea Committee  
2011-2012 T-shirt Committee  
2012 Volunteer Golf Outing

Friends of the Maricopa Public Library  
2011-2012 Board Secretary  
2012-2013 Chairman

Copa Seniors  
2010-2011 Treasurer  
2011-2012 Treasurer  
2012-2013 Treasurer

Maricopa Citizen Leadership Academy  
Fall 2011

(no subject)

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Mon 10/29/12 4:22 PM

joanardell@hotmail.com

Re: Joan Garrett

From: Patricia Dvorak

I have known Joan Garrett for forty years. She has always given willingly of her time and talents to any work she undertakes. As an example, she was president of Michigan Association of Healthcare Advocates, an organization with 30,000 members. In this capacity she traveled around Michigan and the United States and gave workshops on how to run meetings and on leadership. She is presently chairman of Friends of the Library and treasurer of Copa Seniors.

Joan is intelligent and organized. She is honest, forthright and hard-working. She has brought leadership and innovation to every organization that she has served. Joan Garrett would be a superb choice for City Council.

Patricia Dvorak  
1166 Old Farm Road  
Lawrence, PA 15055  
724-746-9495

October 28, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is my personal recommendation for Joan Garrett. I was the Dean of the College of Education during the years, 1993-2009, that Joan was a Professor in my department serving as a classroom teacher as well as a Supervisor of student teachers.

It was a joy to work with Joan as she is a highly motivated and dedicated person. She always received extremely high marks from her students at the end of the year evaluations. Joan was unusually successful at handling any problems that arose between her student teachers and their cooperating teachers. She could act as a mediator and explore various pathways to solve the problem.

I certainly recommend Joan for the position on your City Council and know that she would be a great asset in the position. She is a problem solver and would be highly effective in this position.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Karen Obsniuk".

Karen Obsniuk, Ph.D.